

IN THE FIELD OF ELECTRICITY

Old and New Motive Powers Train for a Fight in New England.

LIMIT OF STEAM POWER REACHED

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Eleven years ago there were fifteen horse railroads in Connecticut and their total mileage was but 100 miles.

Steam Versus Electricity. A paper on "The Suppression of the Steam Locomotive" was read before the British Institution of Electrical Engineers last month by Mr. Langdon Derby.

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Wind-Recording Apparatus.

An apparatus for recording eight directions of the wind has been adopted at the Agricultural college of Berlin.

Electrifying Smoke. Smoke, in the form of a black fog, is indeed not merely an industrial nuisance, but a waste of energy of unburnt carbon.

A FAMOUS GUN. Cannon with Which Pekin Legation was Bombed.

The story of the international gun, lovingly nicknamed "Betsey" by the besieged legation, remains the only real effective check against the pollution of the atmosphere is the use of smokeless coal.

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TEAR'S LUCKY VENTURES

More Numerous Than in 1899, but Not More Than in Other Years.

TOTAL NUMBER IS ESTIMATED AT 10,690

Were Made Necessary by the Very Condensed Year of 1899.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say: "It is not yet possible to print accurate figures for the year ending in 1900."

Business Will Need More Money. So general preparation has been made by capitalists and financiers for a so-called "boom" year that the end of the year is expected to be a quiet one.

Factories at Full Capacity. It is not a bad sign that the local jobbing business is quiet, not that order has been received by manufacturers from salesmen.

WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TABLE. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at all principal cities for the week ended December 25, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

Table with columns: CITIES, Clearings, Inc. Dec. Shows percentage changes for various cities like New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, etc.

ONE OF QUANTRELL'S MEN. Passing of a Dashing Lieutenant of the Missouri Raiders.

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BRADSTREET'S REVIEW OF TRADE

Exceptional Year Closes with Large Increase in Money Trade.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Bradstreet's

A fitting close to a year of exceptional money respect is accomplished in the communication of the very general report of large holiday business in the last week.

Three Children Burned. RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 28.—The second child of Mr. Lavery, a daughter aged four years, a son aged 2 and a 6-month-old infant, have been burned to death near here.

EDUCATORS OF THE SOUTH. RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 28.—The second annual meeting of the Southern Educational Association was opened this morning with a strong address by Hon. William T. Harris of Washington.

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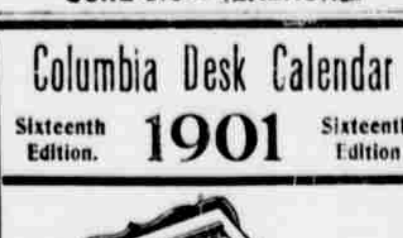
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